# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# AGRICULTURE
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PRODUCTION OF FOOD GRAINS
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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the average yield of wheat, paddy, cotton, oilseeds, pulses and grains is lower vis-a-vis the average yield at the world level;

(b) if not, the average yield of these food grains at the world level; and

(c) the highest and the lowest yield rate of these foodgrains in the world alongwith the name of the respective countries?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

(SHRI SBPBK SATYANARAYANA RAO)

(a) As per comparative data available in FAO Year Book, Production 1997, theaverage yield of crops such as wheat, paddy, cotton, pulses and cereals in India in 1997 was lower than that of the world`s average.

(b)&(c) The highest and lowest yield rates of various crops at World level alongwith names of respective countries is annexed. The average yield rates for these crops in India and at World level are also given in the annexure.

ANNEXURE
The yield rates of wheat, paddy, sugarcane, pulses and oilseeds in India vis-Ã -visworld alongwith the highest and the lowest yield rates during 1997-98.

(Yield rate in Kg/hectare)

| Crop | 1997-98 | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | India | World | Highest | Lowest |
| Wheat | 2485 | 2686 | 8373(Netherlands) | 370 (Somalia) |
| Paddy | 2850 | 3827 | 8244 (Australia) | 680 (Sudan) |
| Cotton | 208 | 584 | 1679 (Israel) | 80 (Kenya) |
| Oilseeds | | | | |
| Groundnut | 1040 | 1273 | 5789(Israel) | 370 (Niger) |
| Rapeseed & Mustard | 668 | 1451 | 11821 (Mexico) | 190 (Sudan) |
| Soyabean | 1079 | 2174 | 3750 (Italy) | 360 (Tanzania) |
| Pulses | 567 | 806 | 4759 (Bel-lux) | 100 (Ghana) |
| Cereals | 1775 | 2971 | 8127(Puerto-rico) | 307 (Niger) |

Source : Compiled from FAO`s Year Book, Production, 1997